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FOREWORD

This report reviewing the legislative activity during the 113th Congress of the Committee on Rules and Administration is submitted pursuant to paragraph 8(b) of Rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate. Paragraph 8 provides that standing committees of the Senate shall review and study, on a continuing basis, the application, administration, and execution of those laws, or parts thereof, the subject matter of which is within their jurisdiction, and submit to the Senate, not later than March 31 of each odd-numbered year, a report detailing the activities of that committee for the preceding Congress. The text of paragraph 8(b) of rule XXVI is as follows:

8.(b) In each odd-numbered year, each such committee shall submit, not later than March 31, to the Senate, a report on the activities of that committee under this paragraph during the Congress ending at noon on January 3 of such year.

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R E P O R T

[Pursuant to paragraph 8(b) of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate]

JURISDICTION OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

The jurisdiction of the Committee on Rules and Administration is set forth in paragraph 1(n)(1) of rule XXV of the Standing Rules of the Senate. The following are excerpts from that paragraph.

RULE XXV

STANDING COMMITTEES

1. The following standing committees shall be appointed at the commencement of each Congress, and shall continue and have the power to act until their successors are appointed, with leave to report by bill or otherwise on matters within their respective jurisdictions:

* * * * *

(n)(1) Committee on Rules and Administration, to which committee shall be referred all proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters relating to the following subjects:

1. Administration of the Senate Office Buildings and the Senate wing of the Capitol, including the assignment of office space.
2. Congressional organization relative to rules and procedures, and Senate rules and regulations, including floor and gallery rules.
3. Corrupt practices.
4. Credentials and qualifications of Members of the Senate, contested elections, and acceptance of incompatible offices.
5. Federal elections generally, including the election of the President, Vice President, and Members of the Congress.

6. Government Printing Office, and the printing and correction of the Congressional Record, as well as those matters provided for under rule XI.

7. Meeting of the Congress and attendance of Members.

8. Payment of money out of the contingent fund of the Senate or creating a charge upon the same (except that any resolution relating to substantive matter within the jurisdiction of any other standing committee of the Senate shall be first referred to such committee).

9. Presidential succession.

10. Purchase of books and manuscripts and erection of monuments to the memory of individuals.

11. Senate Library and statuary, art, and pictures in the Capitol and Senate Office Buildings.

12. Services to the Senate, including the Senate restaurant.

13. United States Capitol and congressional office buildings, the Library of Congress, the Smithsonian Institution (and the incorporation of similar institutions), and the Botanic Gardens.

(2) Such committee shall also—

(A) make a continuing study of the organization and operation of the Congress of the United States and shall recommend improvements in such organization and operation with a view toward strengthening the Congress, simplifying its operations, improving its relationships with other branches of the United States Government, and enabling it better to meet its responsibilities under the Constitution of the United States; and
(B) identify any court proceeding or action which, in the opinion of the Committee, is of vital interest to the Congress as a constitutionally established institution of the Federal Government and call such proceeding or action to the attention of the Senate.

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**RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND
ADMINISTRATION**

TITLE I—MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE

1. The regular meeting dates of the Committee shall be the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month, at 10:00 a.m. in room SR-301, Russell Senate Office Building. Additional meetings of the Committee may be called by the Chairman as he may deem necessary or pursuant to the provision of paragraph 3 of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

2. Meetings of the committee, including meetings to conduct hearings, shall be open to the public, except that a meeting or series of meetings by the committee on the same subject for a period of no more than 14 calendar days may be closed to the public on a motion made and seconded to go into closed session to discuss only whether the matters enumerated in subparagraphs (a) through (f) would require the meeting to be closed followed immediately by a recorded vote in open session by a majority of the Members of the committee when it is determined that the matters to be discussed or the testimony to be taken at such meeting or meetings:

(A) will disclose matters necessary to be kept secret in the interests of national defense or the confidential conduct of the foreign relations of the United States;

(B) will relate solely to matters of the committee staff personnel or internal staff management or procedure;

(C) will tend to charge an individual with crime or misconduct, to disgrace or injure the professional standing of an individual, or otherwise to expose an individual to public contempt or obloquy, or will represent a clearly unwarranted invasion of the privacy of an individual;

(D) will disclose the identity of any informer or law enforcement agent or will disclose any information relating to the investigation or prosecution of a criminal offense that is required to be kept secret in the interests of effective law enforcement;

(E) will disclose information relating to the trade secrets or financial or commercial information pertaining specifically to a given person if:

(1) an Act of Congress requires the information to be kept confidential by Government officers and employees; or

(2) the information has been obtained by the Government on a confidential basis, other than through an application by such person for a specific Government financial or other benefit, and is required to be kept secret in order to prevent undue injury to the competitive position of such person; or

(F) may divulge matters required to be kept confidential under the provisions of law or Government regulations. (Paragraph 5(b) of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules.)

3. Written notices of committee meetings will normally be sent by the committee's staff director to all Members of the committee at least a week in advance. In addition, the committee staff will telephone or e-mail reminders of committee meetings to all Members of the committee or to the appropriate assistants in their offices.

4. A copy of the committee's intended agenda enumerating separate items of legislative business and committee business will normally be sent to all Members of the committee and released to the public at least 1 day in advance of all meetings. This does not preclude any Member of the committee from discussing appropriate non-agenda topics.

5. After the Chairman and the Ranking Minority Member, speaking order shall be based on order of arrival, alternating between Majority and Minority Members, unless otherwise directed by the Chairman.

6. Any witness who is to appear before the committee in any hearing shall file with the clerk of the committee at least 3 business days before the date of his or her appearance, a written statement of his or her proposed testimony and an executive summary thereof, in such form as the chairman may direct, unless the Chairman and the Ranking Minority Member waive such requirement for good cause.

7. In general, testimony will be restricted to 5 minutes for each witness. The time may be extended by the Chairman, upon the Chair's own direction or at the request of a Member. Each round of questions by Members will also be limited to 5 minutes.

TITLE II—QUORUMS

1. Pursuant to paragraph 7(a)(1) of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules, a majority of the Members of the committee shall constitute a quorum for the reporting of legislative measures.

2. Pursuant to paragraph 7(a)(1) of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules, one-third of the Members of the committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, including action on amendments to measures prior to voting to report the measure to the Senate.

3. Pursuant to paragraph 7(a)(2) of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules, 2 Members of the committee shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of taking testimony under oath and 1 Member of the committee shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of taking testimony not under oath; provided, however, that in either instance, once a quorum is established, any one Member can continue to take such testimony.

4. Under no circumstances may proxies be considered for the establishment of a quorum.

TITLE III—VOTING

1. Voting in the committee on any issue will normally be by voice vote.

2. If a third of the Members present so demand a roll call vote instead of a voice vote, a record vote will be taken on any question by roll call.

3. The results of roll call votes taken in any meeting upon any measure, or any amendment thereto, shall be stated in the committee report on that measure unless previously announced by the committee, and such report or announcement shall include a tabulation of the votes cast in favor of and the votes cast in opposition to each such measure and amendment by each Member of the committee. (Paragraph 7(b) and (c) of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules.)

4. Proxy voting shall be allowed on all measures and matters before the committee. However, the vote of the committee to report a measure or matter shall require the concurrence of a majority of the Members of the committee who are physically present at the time of the vote. Proxies will be allowed in such cases solely for the purpose of recording a Member's position on the question and then only in those instances when the absentee committee Member has been informed of the question and has affirmatively requested that he be recorded. (Paragraph 7(a)(3) of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules.)

TITLE IV—AMENDMENTS

1. Provided at least five business days' notice of the agenda is given, and the text of the proposed bill or resolution has been made available at least five business calendar days in advance, it shall not be in order for the Committee to consider any amendment in the first degree proposed to any measure under consideration by the Committee unless such amendment has been delivered to the office of the Committee and circulated via e-mail to each of the offices by at least 5:00 p.m. the day prior to the scheduled start of the meeting.

2. In the event the Chairman introduces a substitute amendment or a Chairman's mark, the requirements set forth in Paragraph 1 of this Title shall be considered waived unless such substitute amendment or Chairman's mark has been made available at least five business days in advance of the scheduled meeting.

3. It shall be in order, without prior notice, for a Member to offer a motion to strike a single section of any bill, resolution, or amendment under consideration.

4. This section of the rule may be waived by agreement of the Chairman and the Ranking Minority Member.

TITLE V—DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

1. The Chairman is authorized to sign himself or by delegation all necessary vouchers and routine papers for which the committee's approval is required and to decide in the committee's behalf all routine business.

2. The Chairman is authorized to engage commercial reporters for the preparation of transcripts of committee meetings and hearings.

3. The Chairman is authorized to issue, on behalf of the committee, regulations normally promulgated by the committee at the beginning of each session.

TITLE VI—DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN AND RANKING MINORITY MEMBER

The Chairman and Ranking Minority Member, acting jointly, are authorized to approve on behalf of the committee any rule or regulation for which the committee's approval is required, provided advance notice of their intention to do so is given to Members of the committee.

LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY
*passed Senate; +obviated

Bills and Resolutions Considered by the Senate

S. 375, Senate Campaign Disclosure Parity Act

S. 1728, Safeguarding Elections for our Nation's Troops through Reforms and Improvements (SENTRI) Act

S. 1937, Elections Preparedness Requires Early Planning (Elections PREP) Act

S. 1947, Government Publishing Act of 2014 +

S. 2197, a bill to repeal certain requirements regarding newspaper advertising of Senate stationery contracts. *

S.J. Res. 19, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections.

S.J. Res. 28, a joint resolution providing for the appointment of John Fahey as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution. Public Law No. 113–84.

S.J. Res. 29, a joint resolution for the appointment of Risa Lavizzo-Mourey as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution. Public Law No. 113–85.

S.J. Res 32, a joint resolution for the reappointment of John W. McCarter as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution. Public Law No. 113–91.

S.J. Res 40, a joint resolution providing for the appointment of Michael Lynton as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution. Public Law No. 113–184.

S.J. Res 45, a joint resolution for the reappointment of David M. Rubenstein as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution. *

S. Con. Res. 10, a concurrent resolution authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for an event to celebrate the birthday of King Kamehameha. *

S. Con. Res. 16, a concurrent resolution authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for the unveiling of a statue of Frederick Douglass. *

S. Con. Res. 36, a concurrent resolution permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony to award the Congressional Gold Medal to the next of kin or personal representative of Raoul Wallenberg. *

S. Con. Res. 37, a concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the rotunda of the United States Capitol in commemoration of the Shimon Peres Congressional Gold Medal ceremony. *

S. Res. 88, a resolution providing for members on the part of the Senate of the Joint Committee on Printing and the Joint Committee of Congress on the Library. *

S. Res. 285, a resolution authorizing the Committee on Rules and Administration to prepare a revised edition of the Standing Rules of the Senate as a Senate document. *

S. Res. 322, a resolution to authorize the printing of a collection of the rules of committees of the Senate. *

S. Res. 535, a resolution to authorize the printing of a revised edition of the Senate Rules and Manual. *

S. Res. 577, a resolution permitting the collection of clothing, toys, food, and housewares during the holiday season for charitable purposes in Senate buildings.*

H.R. 3487, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act to extend through 2018 the authority of the Federal Election Commission to impose civil money penalties on the basis of a schedule of penalties established and published by the Commission, to expand such authority to certain other violations, and for other purposes. Public Law No: 113–72.

H. Con. Res. 14, permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust.*

H. Con. Res. 18, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers' Memorial Service.*

H. Con. Res. 19, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby of 2013.*

H. Con. Res. 20, permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony to award the Congressional Gold Medal to Professor Muhammad Yunus.*

H. Con. Res. 32, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Honor Guard and Pipe Band Exhibition of 2013.*

H. Con. Res. 43, authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for a ceremony honoring the life and legacy of Nelson Mandela on the occasion of the 95th anniversary of his birth.*

H. Con. Res. 44, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run of 2013.*

H. Con. Res. 83, authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for an event to celebrate the birthday of King Kamehameha I.*

H. Con. Res. 88, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby of 2014.*

H. Con. Res. 90, authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust.*

H. Con. Res. 92, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers Memorial Service and the National Honor Guard and Pipe Band Exhibition of 2014.*

H. Con. Res. 100, authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the enactment of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.*

H. Con. Res. 103, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run of 2014.*

H. Con. Res. 106, authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for a ceremony to award Congressional Gold Medals in honor of the men and women who perished as a result of the terrorist attacks on the United States on September 11, 2001.*

H. Con. Res. 120, authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for a ceremony to present the Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.*

Original Resolutions from the Committee

S. Res. 43, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Rules and Administration. +

S. Res. 64, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by committees of the Senate for the period March 1, 2013, through September 30, 2013. *

S. Res. 228, an original resolution authorizing the reporting of committee funding resolutions for the period October 1, 2013, through February 28, 2015. *

S. Res. 229, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Rules and Administration. +

S. Res. 253, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by committees of the Senate for the periods October 1, 2013, through September 30, 2014, and October 1, 2014, through February 28, 2015. *

Resolutions Related to Committee Funding

S. Res. 38, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. +

S. Res. 39, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship. +

S. Res. 40, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Foreign Relations. +

S. Res. 42, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Armed Services. +

S. Res. 44, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. +

S. Res. 45, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate. +

S. Res. 47, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. +

S. Res. 48, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. +

S. Res. 49, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Special Committee on Aging. +

S. Res. 50, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Select Committee on Intelligence. +

S. Res. 51, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. +

S. Res. 52, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Indian Affairs. +

S. Res. 53, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on the Budget. +

S. Res. 54, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. +

S. Res. 55, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. +

S. Res. 59, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Finance. +

S. Res. 92, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on the Judiciary. +

S. Res. 223, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on the Judiciary. +

S. Res. 224, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. +

S. Res. 230, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry. +

S. Res. 231, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. +

S. Res. 232, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Armed Services. +

S. Res. 233, an original resolution authorized expenditures by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

S. Res. 234, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. +

S. Res. 235, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship. +

S. Res. 236, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Environment and Public Works. +

S. Res. 237, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Foreign Relations. +

S. Res. 238, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. +

S. Res. 239, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs. +

S. Res. 241, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Special Committee on Aging. +

S. Res. 243, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. +

S. Res. 244, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. +

S. Res. 245, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Select Committee on Intelligence. +

S. Res. 249, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Finance. +

S. Res. 250, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on the Budget. +

Bills and Resolutions Referred to Committee

S. 9, Clean and Fair Elections Act

S. 58, LINE Act of 2013

S. 64, a bill to prohibit authorized committees and leadership PAC's from employing the spouse or immediate family members of any candidate or Federal office holder connected to the committee.

S. 85, FAST Voting Act of 2013

S. 118, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions.

S. 123, Voter Empowerment Act of 2013

S. 126, Earmark Elimination Act of 2013

S. 253, a bill establishing the Committee to Reduce Government Waste.

S. 532, Same Day Registration Act

S. 568, Smithsonian American Latino Museum Act

S. 808, a bill to establish the Office of the Inspector General of the Senate.

S. 1404, Enumerated Powers Act

S. 1458, Daniel Webster Congressional Clerkship Act of 2013

S. 1664, One Subject at a Time Act

S. 1665, Read the Bills Act

S. 2017, LINE Act of 2014

S. 2053, a bill to direct the Architect of the Capitol to place a chair honoring American Prisoners of War/Missing in Action on the Capitol Grounds.

S.2207, a bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to require all political committees to notify the Federal Election Commission within 48 hours of receiving cumulative contributions of \$1,000 or more from any contributor during a calendar year, and for other purposes.

S. 2415, SuperPAC Elimination Act of 2014

S. 2516, Democracy is Strengthened by Casting Light on Spending in Elections Act of 2014

S. 2751, Rural and Tribal Voter Rights Act

S. 2754, Lobbying and Campaign Finance Reform Act of 2014

S. 2865, Voter Registration Modernization Act

S. Con. Res. 40, a concurrent resolution authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for a ceremony to award Congressional Gold Medals in honor of the men and women who perished as a result of the terrorist attacks on the United States on September 11, 2001. +

S. Res. 28, a resolution to provide sufficient time for legislation to be read.

S. Res. 30, a resolution establishing the Committee to Reduce Government Waste.

S. Res. 110, Preventing Duplicative and Overlapping Government Programs Resolution

S. Res. 225, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate that Congress should establish a joint select committee to investigate and report on the attack on the United States diplomatic facility and American personnel in Benghazi, Libya on September 11, 2012.

S. Res. 343, a resolution establishing a Select Committee of the Senate to make a full and thorough investigation of the unauthorized disclosures of apparently classified information concerning the National Security Agency intelligence-collection programs, operations, and activities, including programs affecting Americans, to make findings upon the investigation, and to make recommendations based on the investigation and findings.

S. Res. 351, a resolution requiring that legislation considered by the Senate be confined to a single issue.

S. Res. 382, Stop Cloture Abuse Resolution

S. Res. 385, a resolution expressing the Sense of the Senate regarding the use of electronic devices on the floor of the Senate.

S. Res. 505, a resolution congratulating the Gay, Lesbian, and Allies Senate Staff (GLASS) Caucus association on the 10-year anniversary of the association.

S. Res. 600, a resolution to limit certain uses of the filibuster in the Senate to improve the legislative process.

COMMITTEE HEARINGS AND BUSINESS MEETINGS

February 13, 2013—Organizational Meeting of the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Adoption of the Committee Rules of Procedure and reported S. Res. 43, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Rules Committee from March 1, 2013 until September 30, 2013.

February 27, 2013—Business Meeting to Consider S. Res. 64.

Reported S. Res. 64, an original resolution authorizing the expenditures of Senate Committees for the seven (7) month period beginning March 1, 2013 and ending September 30, 2013.

June 12, 2013—Hearing on the Nomination of Davita Vance-Cooks to be the Public Printer.

July 24, 2013—Business Meeting to Consider the Public Printer Nomination and S. 375.

The nomination of Davita Vance-Cooks to be the Public Printer was ordered favorably reported to the Senate with the recommendation the Nominee be confirmed.

Reported S. 375, the Campaign Disclosure Parity Act introduced by Senator Tester of Montana.

July 24, 2013—Hearing on Federal Election Commission Nominees, Ann Miller Ravel and Lee E. Goodman.

September 17, 2013—Business Meeting to Consider Federal Election Commission Nominations and S. Res. 229.

The nominations of Lee E. Goodman and Ann Miller Ravel to be members of the Federal Election Commission were ordered favorably reported to the Senate with the recommendation the Nominees be confirmed.

Reported S. Res. 229, an original resolution authorizing expenditures for the Rules Committee for the remainder of the 113th Congress.

September 24, 2013—Business Meeting to Consider S. Res. 253.

Reported S. Res. 253, an original resolution authorizing the expenditures of Senate Committees for the remainder of the 113th Congress.

December 11, 2013—Hearing on Election Assistance Commission Nominees, Thomas Hicks and Myrna Perez.

January 29, 2014—Hearing on S. 1728, Safeguarding Elections for our Nation’s Troops through Reforms and Improvements (SENTRI) Act.

February 12, 2014—Hearing on Bipartisan Support for Improving U.S. Elections: An Overview from the Presidential Commission on Election Administration.

March 12, 2014—Hearing titled “Election Administration: Innovation, Administrative Improvements and Cost Savings.”

April 9, 2014—Hearing titled “Election Administration: Making Voter Rolls More Complete and More Accurate.”

April 9, 2014—Business Meeting to Consider Election Assistance Commission Nominations and S. 1728, S. 1937, S. 1947 and S. 2197.

The nominations of Thomas Hicks and Myrna Perez to be Commissioners on the Election Assistance Commission were ordered favorably reported to the Senate with the recommendation the Nominees be confirmed.

Reported S. 1728, S. 1937, S. 1947 and S. 2197.

April 30, 2014—Hearing titled “Dollars and Sense: How Undisclosed Money and Post-McCutcheon Campaign Finance will Affect 2014 and Beyond.”

May 14, 2014—Hearing titled “Collection, Analysis and Use of Data: A Measured Approach to Improving Election Administration.”

June 25, 2014—Hearing titled “Election Administration: Examining How Early and Absentee Voting can benefit Citizens and Election Administrators.”

July 23, 2014—Hearing on S. 2516, Democracy is Strengthened by Casting Light on Spending in Elections Act of 2014.

September 10, 2014—Hearing on Election Assistance Commission Nominees, Matthew V. Masterson and Christy A. McCormick.

December 3, 2014—Business Meeting to Consider Election Assistance Commission Nominations.

The nominations of Matthew V. Masterson and Christy A. McCormick were ordered favorably reported to the Senate with the recommendation the Nominees be confirmed.

NOMINATIONS

PN417 Davita Vance-Cooks, of Virginia, to be Public Printer.

Latest Action: August 01, 2013—Confirmed by the Senate by Voice Vote.

PN602 Ann Miller Ravel, of California, to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2017.

Latest Action: September 23, 2013—Confirmed by the Senate by Voice Vote.

PN603 Lee E. Goodman, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2015.

Latest Action: September 23, 2013—Confirmed by the Senate by Voice Vote.

PN536 Thomas Hicks, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Election Assistance Commission for a term expiring December 12, 2013.

Latest Action: January 03, 2014—Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

PN537 Thomas Hicks, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Election Assistance Commission for a term expiring December 12, 2017.

Latest Action: January 03, 2014—Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

PN538 Myrna Perez, of Texas, to be a Member of the Election Assistance Commission for a term expiring December 12, 2015.

Latest Action: January 03, 2014—Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

PN1246 Myrna Perez, of Texas, to be a Member of the Election Assistance Commission for a term expiring December 12, 2015.

Latest Action: November 19, 2014—Received message of withdrawal of nomination from the President.

PN1247 Thomas Hicks, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Election Assistance Commission for a term expiring December 12, 2017.

Latest Action: December 16, 2014—Confirmed by the Senate by Voice Vote.

PN1870 Matthew Vincent Masterson, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Election Assistance Commission for a term expiring December 12, 2017.

Latest Action: December 16, 2014—Confirmed by the Senate by Voice Vote.

PN1871 Christy A. McCormick, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Election Assistance Commission for a term expiring December 12, 2015.

Latest Action: December 16, 2014—Confirmed by the Senate by Voice Vote.

PN2187 Matthew Stuart Butler, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Election Assistance Commission for a term expiring December 12, 2015.

Latest Action: December 17, 2014—Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

COMMITTEE PUBLICATIONS

Senate Manual, 113th Congress, 1st session, S. Doc. 113–1.

Authority and Rules of Senate Committees, 2013–2014, 113th Congress, 1st session, S. Doc. 113–20.

Standing rules of the Senate, Revised to January 24, 2013, 113th Congress, 1st session, S. Doc. 113–18.

Review of Legislative Activity During the 112th Congress, 113th Congress, 1st session, S. Rpt. 113–41.

Authorizing Expenditures by Committees of the Senate (relating to S. Res. 253), 113th Congress, 1st session, S. Rpt. 113–16.

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EC49 Senate Rules and Administration (January 22, 2013)

A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report from the Attorney General to Congress relative to the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC150 Senate Rules and Administration (January 24, 2013)

A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Commission's competitive sourcing efforts during fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC1058 Senate Rules and Administration (April 09, 2013)

A communication from the Chairman, Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the memorial construction; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC1115 Senate Veterans' Affairs and other committees... (April 11, 2013)

A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "OMB Final Sequestration Report to the President and Congress for Fiscal Year 2013"; to the Committees on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; Appropriations; Armed Services; Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; the Budget; Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Energy and Natural Resources; Environment and Public Works; Finance; Foreign Relations; Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; Indian Affairs; Select Committee on Intelligence; the Judiciary; Rules and Administration; Small Business and Entrepreneurship; and Veterans' Affairs.

EC1895 Senate Rules and Administration (June 12, 2013)

A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, the Federal Voting Assistance Program's 2010 Electronic Voting Support Wizard Pilot Program Report to Congress; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC2141 Senate Rules and Administration (June 27, 2013)

A communication from the Chief Operating Officer/Acting Executive Director of the U.S. Election Assistance Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2011–2012 Impact of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 on the Administration of Elections for Federal Office (NVRA) report; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC2198 Senate Rules and Administration (July 08, 2013)

A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report entitled “Federal Voting Assistance Program’s (FVAP) 2012 Post-Election Report to Congress”; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

POM118 Senate Rules and Administration (August 01, 2013)

A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Maine memorializing the President of the United States and Congress of the United States to adopt the Veterans Remembered Flag in honor of all veterans; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

POM134 Senate Rules and Administration (August 01, 2013)

A resolution adopted by the Alabama Town Board of the State of New York opposing the Early Voting Proposal; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC3139 Senate Rules and Administration (September 25, 2013)

A communication from the Chair, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission’s fiscal year 2015 budget request; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

POM159 Senate Rules and Administration (October 28, 2013)

A petition from a citizen of the State of New Jersey relative to the election of a Senator; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC3429 Senate Rules and Administration (October 31, 2013)

A communication from the Chairman, Board of Trustees and the President, John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, transmitting, pursuant to law, a financial report in accordance with Section 8G(h) of the Inspector General Act of 1978; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC4280 Senate Rules and Administration (January 14, 2014)

A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report from the Attorney General to Congress relative to the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC4281 Senate Rules and Administration (January 14, 2014)

A communication from the Co-Chief Privacy Officers, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission’s Privacy Report for fiscal year 2013; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC4338 Senate Rules and Administration (January 15, 2014)

A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Commission’s competitive sourcing efforts during fiscal year 2013; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC4819 Senate Rules and Administration (March 05, 2014)

A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to eight legislative recommendations; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC5070 Senate Rules and Administration (March 31, 2014)

A communication from the Director, Congressional Affairs, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Strategic Plan for fiscal years 2014 through 2019; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC5605 Senate Rules and Administration (May 06, 2014)

A communication from the Public Printer, Government Printing Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office's Annual Report for fiscal year 2013; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC6037 Senate Rules and Administration (June 09, 2014)

A communication from the Chairman, Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the memorial construction; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC6263 Senate Rules and Administration (June 26, 2014)

A communication from the Chairman, Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the memorial construction; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC6819 Senate Rules and Administration (September 09, 2014)

A communication from the Librarian of Congress, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Annual Report of the Librarian of Congress for fiscal year 2013; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC6935 Senate Veterans' Affairs and other committees ... (September 15, 2014)

A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "OMB Sequestration Update Report to the President and Congress for Fiscal Year 2015"; to the Special Committee on Aging; Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; Appropriations; Armed Services; Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; the Budget; Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Energy and Natural Resources; Environment and Public Works; Select Committee on Ethics; Finance; Foreign Relations; Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; Indian Affairs; Select Committee on Intelligence; the Judiciary; Rules and Administration; Small Business and Entrepreneurship; and Veterans' Affairs.

EC7211 Senate Rules and Administration (November 12, 2014)

A communication from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to its budget request for fiscal year 2016; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC7392 Senate Rules and Administration (November 12, 2014)

A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Independent Expenditures and Electioneering Communications by Corporations and Labor Organizations" (Notice 2014-10) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office

of the President of the Senate on October 10, 2014; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC7689 Senate Rules and Administration (November 18, 2014)

A communication from the Chairman, Board of Trustees, and the President, John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Center's financial statements, supplemental schedules of operations, and independent auditors' report for years ended September 29, 2013, and September 30, 2012, and a report relative to the Center's schedule of expenditures of federal awards and independent auditor's reports for the year ended September 29, 2013; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

